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Applicants : DOTTORI

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For: **STORAGE AND MAINTENANCE OF BLOOD PRODUCTS
INCLUDING RED BLOOD CELLS AND PLATELETS**

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION ACCOMPANYING RCE

Sir:

This Amendment and Response to Office Action (“Amendment”) addresses the issues raised in the Final Office Action mailed August 4, 2009 and the Advisory Action mailed November 6, 2009 in connection with the above-referenced application. Applicants are concurrently filing a Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time to extend the response deadline to December 4, 2009. Accordingly, this Amendment and accompanying Request for Continued Examination (“RCE”) are being timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims being on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.